Quarterly Meeting of the State Governing Board of the Mansfield Female College Museum Thursday, January 10, 2013

MEMBERS PRESENT: Beverly Bedsole, Beverly Bruce, John Freeman, Raymond Powell, Sandy Spaulding and Dr. Alan Thompson

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Ellen Abington, Britney Green, Carolyn Huckabay and Judson Rives

STAFF: Barbara Valentine, Director

The State Governing Board of the Mansfield Female College Museum met in session at the museum, Thursday, January 10, 2013 in Mansfield, Louisiana at 2:30PM. Mr. Raymond Powell, President, called the meeting to order, Mr. John Freeman led the Pledge of Allegiance and Dr. Alan Thompson led in prayer.

Minutes of the October 11, 2012 meeting were printed for each member to review. Dr. Alan Thompson made the motion and seconded by Beverly Bedsole to approve the minutes. Minutes approved.

Mr. Powell gave a report on the meeting held at the Clista A. Calhoun Center on December 18, 2012 between the Friends of the Mansfield Female College Museum, the State Governing Board and Secretary of State Tom Schedler and his staff. Mr. Schedler gave the Oath of Office to the members of the State Governing Board. He also told the boards of the proposed renovations to be made to the MFCM. The State has set aside \$80,000 for this project. Mr. Wayne Coco is the State Architect that the Facility Planning Commission has hired to make the necessary recommendations.

The State Governing Board has recommended the following to present to Mr. Wayne Waddell, Mr. Wayne Coco and Mr. Joe Salter in a meeting scheduled for Friday, January 11, 2013:

- 1. First priority is the foundation and painting of the building with other masonry renovations to be made.
- 2. Would like to leave the garage attached to the building and improve the handicapped ramp bringing it up to code. This would enable handicapped persons to be dropped off under the covered garage.
- 3. Make the drive entrance to the museum off Louisiana Street. Leave the back porch but make an entrance to enhance the museum with the Clista A. Calhoun Center. Also making a handicapped ramp at this entrance if necessary.
- 4. Floor in the kitchen and hallway area to stay as is but cover the area with some type of flooring or sealer.

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The Friends of the MFCM are to enter into an agreement with the State concerning the parking lot at the Calhoun Center. Mary Durusau, SOS office, is handling this for the State.

With the resignation of Carolyn Beaubouef, the board is needing a replacement. Mr. Powell mentioned the names of Robert Mik, Director of the DeSoto Parish Chamber of Commerce and Johnny McFerren of Stonewall, former Representative from DeSoto Parish. The board is to be thinking of a replacement to be discussed at the next meeting.

Also discussion was held on the Personal Financial Disclosure Statement. Is is not clear if this board has to comply with this disclosure statement. Mrs. Durusau is checking on this and will let the board know if they have to comply.

Motion was made by Beverly Bedsole and seconded by Sandy Spaulding to write a letter to Mrs. Don Eakin, Chairman of the DAR Bon Chasse Chapter, stating that everything has been approved to place a plaque or marker on the grounds of the MFCM to honor all Veterans of War.

There being no further business, Mr. John Freeman made the motion to adjourn with a second by Sandy Spaulding.

Meeting adjourned. ---- Next Meeting – April 11, 2013

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Valentine, Director
Mansfield Female College Museum